



## News Release

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
**SPECIAL TO THE SALEM NEWS**  
**"Quaker Community Day Care**  
**Children to honor Air Force Reservists"**

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**YOUNGSTOWN AIR RESERVE STATION, OHIO** – Students at the Quaker Community Preschool and Day Care Center on South Broadway Ave. in Salem have been busy the past two weeks preparing United States Flags and other greeting messages for activated Air Force Reservists who are deployed as part of the ongoing U.S. War on Terrorism. The reservists are from the 910<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ohio.

The students are scheduled to present their artwork to two members of the Air Force Reserve's 910<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing during a presentation set for 10 a.m., March 31<sup>st</sup> at the day care center. Representing the 910<sup>th</sup> will be Capt. Michelle Mollise, a pilot with the 773<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Squadron at the base, and Master Sgt. Bryan Ripple, superintendent of Public Affairs at the base. Mollise is a resident of Canfield and Ripple is a Salem resident. Capt. Mollise flew C-130 combat missions in Iraq while deployed to the Middle East last year and is still activated today.

The students are from the classes of Mrs. Sandy Geist, Mrs. Mindi Maniscalco, and Mrs. Susan Mellott at the center. The flags and greeting messages will be delivered via a C-130H aircraft from the 910<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing to members of the 910<sup>th</sup> who are deployed around the world.

The 910<sup>th</sup> currently has 471 reservists activated, with 222 deployed as part of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

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**MEDIA ADVISORY TO THE SALEM NEWS:** Master Sgt. Ripple will provide digital photos of the event to accompany this news story. Please call him at 330-233-2201 for more information.